

# **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> OPR, MNR, MNSD, MNDC, FF

## <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking an order of possession and a monetary order.

The hearing was conducted via teleconference and was attended by the landlord.

The landlord testified the tenant was served with the notice of hearing documents and this Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Section 59(3) of the *Residential Tenancy Act (Act)* personally on March 2, 2016 in accordance with Section 89 and that this service was witnessed by a third party.

Based on the testimony of the landlord, I find that the tenant has been sufficiently served with the documents pursuant to the *Act*.

At the outset of the hearing the landlord confirmed he obtained an order of possession from a previous hearing. As such, he no longer requires an order of possession. I amend the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution to exclude the matter of possession.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to a monetary order for unpaid rent; for all or part of the security deposit and to recover the filing fee from the tenant for the cost of the Application for Dispute Resolution, pursuant to Sections 38, 67, and 72 of the *Act*.

### Background and Evidence

The landlord submitted that the tenancy had begun prior to his purchase of the residential property in June 2015. He state that the monthly rent was \$650.00 due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month and that he held a security deposit of \$325.00.

The landlord testified that the tenant had failed to pay full rent for the months of December 2015, January 2016, February 2016, and March 2016 with a total of

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\$2,050.00 in arrears. The landlord confirmed he has not received any payments towards these arrears.

## <u>Analysis</u>

Based on the landlord's undisputed evidence and testimony I find the landlord has established the tenant has failed to pay rent in the amounts claimed.

#### Conclusion

I find the landlord is entitled to monetary compensation pursuant to Section 67 in the amount of **\$2,150.00** comprised of \$2,050.00 rent owed and the \$100.00 fee paid by the landlord for this application.

I order the landlord may deduct the security deposit and interest held in the amount of \$325.00 in partial satisfaction of this claim. I grant a monetary order in the amount of \$1,825.00. This order must be served on the tenant. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and be enforced as an order of that Court.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: April 20, 2016

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